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In re Application of:

Xiao et al.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above identified application as shown. If required,  
an appropriate extension of time is hereby requested.

Please charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to  
deposit account number 50-0365. An additional copy of this page is enclosed.